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SUBJECT:US DELEGATION ON HIGHER EDUCATION

REF: MOSCOW 18794

1. REQUEST EMBASSY PROPOSE MHE RECEIVE HIGH LEVEL USDEL
AGREED TO IN DECEMBER REVIEW TALKS (PAR 1, C REFTTEL), FOR
APRIL THIRTEEN TO TWENTY-FIVE VISIT UNDER SEC I, PAR 5 ANNEX
OF US-USSR GENERAL AGREEMENT.

2. USDEL TO CONSIST OF:

DR. JOHN COLEMAN, PRES., HAVERFORD COLLEGE;

DR. DONALD L. FANGER, CHAIRMAN, DEPT. OF LANGUAGES AND
LITERATURES, HARVARD UNIV.;

DR. ERIC HAMP, ROBERT MAYNARD HUTCHINS DISTINGUISHED SERVICE
PROFESSOR, UNIV. OF CHICAGO (REPRESENTING CIES EAST EUROP-
EAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE);

DR. JACK PELTASON, CHANCELLOR, UNIV. OF ILLINIOS AT URBANA-
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DR. CORNELIUS PINGS, VICE PROVO;T AND DEAN OF GRADUATE

STUDENTS, CAL. TECH.;

DR. DANIEL MATUSZEWSKI, DEP. DIRECTOR, IREX;

GEORGENE LOVECKY, EAST EUROPEAN PROGRAM OFFICER, CIES.

3. PURPOSE OF VISIT IS TO EXCHANGE VIEWS ON HIGHER EDUCATION IN US AND USSR WITH SPECIAL EMPHASIS ON IMPROVING IMPLEMENTATION OF US-USSR FULBRIGHT LECTURER EXCHANGE.

4. DEPT ASSUMES MHE WILL PAY IN-COUNTRY EXPENSES OF USDEL AND FURNISH INTERPRETER, AND ARRANGE PROGRAM WHICH WILL PROVIDE OPPORTUNITY FOR IN-DEPTH DISCUSSION OF LECTURER EXCHANGE, AT APPROPRIATELY HIGH-LEVEL ON SOVIET SIDE.

5. DELEGATION MEMBERS WERE SELECTED FOR THEIR SCHOLARLY ACHIEVEMENTS AS WELL AS EXPERIENCE WITH VARIOUS TYPES OF US HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTIONS. VARIATIONS OF FULBRIGHT PROGRAM PROPOSED IN DEC. TALKS WILL ALSO BE DISCUSSED, E.G. YOUNGER SCHOLAR AND DISTINGUISHED PROFESSOR CATEGORIES. USDEL ALSO DESIRES TO BECOME BETTER ACQUAINTED WITH SOVIET HIGHER EDUCATION AND WITH VIEWS OF SOVIET AUTHORITIES AND UNIVERSITIES ON LECTURER EXCHANGE.

6. USDEL REQUESTS MEETINGS WITH OFFICIALS OF MHE, SOVIET ACADEMY, AND UNIVERSITY ADMINISTRATORS IN MOSCOW, LENINGRAD, AND KIEV. (KIEV IS SUGGESTED IN HOPE THAT USDEL VISIT WILL PROMPT KIEV'S PARTICIPATION IN LECTURER PROGRAM.)

7. FYI APR THIRTEEN TO TWENTY-FIVE IS ONLY TIME DURING WHICH ALL USDEL MEMBERS CAN PARTICIPATE IN PROGRAM. IN VIEW OF HIGH LEVEL OF DELEGATION, WE STRONGLY HOPE SOVIETS WILL BE ABLE TO ACCEPT DATES SUGGESTED. MAXIMUM SCHEDULING CHANGE POSSIBLE WOULD BE ONE OR TWO DAYS. DEPT. PROPOSES ALL DAY BRIEFING FRIDAY, APRIL ELEVEN IN WASHINGTON, DEPARTURE FRIDAY NIGHT, OVERNIGHT SATURDAY IN WESTERN EUROPE, AND ARRIVAL MOSCOW LATE SUNDAY, TO ENABLE EARLY START MONDAY MORNING AND MAKE MAXIMUM USE OF LIMITED TIME

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AVAILABLE. END FYI.

8. WOULD APPRECIATE SUGGESTIONS FOR BRIEFING USDEL HERE PRIOR DEPARTURE. KISSINGER

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